

CALLS RAIL HEADS TO AN UNEXPECTED CONFERENCE

FIERCE FIGHT
IN BULGARIA
IS REPORTED

Great Offensive of Entente Allies From Saloniki is Anticipated and Bulgars Attack Suddenly.

GAIN SIX TO TWENTY MILES AT SOME POINTS

Allies Report an Advance of Mile Along 5,000 Mile Front—French Capture Feracheval.

BERLIN, Aug. 21.—Bulgaria's army, according to today's dispatches from Sofia, not only anticipated a great offensive by the entente allies from Saloniki, but struck the Anglo-French forces when they were least expecting it, thus advancing at various points a distance of from six to 20 miles.

For several weeks ammunition has been going forward to the Bulgarian forces. Most of it has come from German munition factories. This service was halted for a time when the Anglo-French offensive on the Somme began, but this was only a precautionary measure, as it was soon learned that the German troops in the west had sufficient ammunition to cope with the situation here.

Official Report.

The latest official Bulgarian report received from Sofia today follows: "The whole 17th division of French cavalry participated in the battle of Aug. 15. The enemy's artillery has continued its bombardment of our positions south and west of lake Doiran. Enemy infantry attacked at two places, but the attack broke down under our fire while the attacking forces were compelled to retreat, leaving many dead behind. On Aug. 18 a Serbian attack between Sterovo and Prespa lake was repulsed. Our troops pursued the enemy and captured Florina.

"After strong artillery preparation the enemy attacked south and west of lake Doiran, but was repulsed. We counter attacked and bayonet fighting followed. German aviators bombarded the enemy's railroads at several places, returning unharmed."

* SALONIKI, Aug. 21.—Continuing their offensive against the Bulgarian center in the Doiran region, the British troops are steadily advancing. An official communique issued at general headquarters here today announced that during the night the British had advanced 2,000 yards—more than a mile—on a front of 5,000 yards.

The French troops are also winning successes, having captured, after fierce resistance, Feracheval work to the south of Doreille. The communique states that the Bulgarian army has taken the offensive on its entire front, stating that the Bulgarians have passed the Greek frontier at several points.

Official Statement.

The official communique follows: "English forces on the Doiran front advanced last night 2,000 yards on a front of 5,000 yards, capturing positions without meeting resistance.

"Our troops (French) took the Feracheval work, south of Doreille, after serious resistance by the Bulgarians.

"On the Struma front the enemy is showing signs of activity in the direction of Denchissar. He is reported as having the frontier at different points and penetrating Greek territory in the vicinity of Sarichaba, east of Kevala."

A later report from the French chief of staff showed decided advances by the Bulgarian army on both the right and left wings. The Bulgars have advanced their patrols to a distance of only six miles from Kavala.

Artillery Active.

The second official statement follows: "An important action continues on the left of the allies' troops. In the direction of lake Doiran both artilleries are active. There were skirmishes at Farmy hill.

"The Bulgarians are advancing in all of eastern Macedonia and have reached Orhanlie. On the mountains dominating Seres (43 miles northeast of Saloniki) the Bulgarians have occupied several Greek forts. These include Fort Lissa.

"The Bulgarians have advanced with strong forces in the region west of the Nestos and have pushed their patrols up to about 10 kilometers (6.2 miles) from Kavala."

Want Prosecutor
Barred in New
Stielow Hearing

International News Service.
ALBION, N. Y., Aug. 21.—The fight to save from electrocution Charles F. Stielow, convicted of murdering Charles B. Phelps and Margaret Wolcott, took a new turn today when counsel for the condemned man dispatched to Gov. Whitman a demand that Dist. Atty. John Knickerbocker or Orleans county, be barred from participation at the special hearing to be held at Rochester.

The governor was requested to appoint an unprejudiced district attorney to handle the case.

The hearing at Rochester was ordered by Gov. Whitman for the purpose of having John Knickerbocker show cause why Stielow should not have a new trial owing to newly discovered evidence. The new evidence was a confession by Irving King that cleared Stielow of the crime, but this was later repudiated by King.

Three Dead and
Two Badly Hurt
In Auto Crash

International News Service.
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 21.—The usual Sunday automobile accidents in Indiana resulted yesterday in the loss of three lives and two others probably will die from injuries, according to reports from various sections of the state today.

Dr. C. M. Lieblee of Greenville, Ohio, was horribly crushed when a traction car smashed his automobile to pieces near Tipton. Dr. Lieblee had passed the crossing and then, for some unknown reason, drove his car back in front of a fast intersection and was killed. Mrs. M. E. Miller of Canton, Ill., was seriously injured in another automobile accident near Tipton.

H. C. Collins, a Frankfort architect, was killed when his automobile turned over on the Jackson highway. His wife also was pinned under the machine and may die. Ray Collins, the driver, had driven an automobile only two days, it is said, and lost control of the machine.

Many other accidents were reported. A party of Indiana "joy riders" was blamed for the death of a woman in Danville, Ill. Frank Heaton of Frankfort, was found unconscious near Lafayette, having been struck by an automobile. Mildred Blair, 9, stepped in front of an automobile at Marion and may lose an eye.

ICE WAGON DRIVERS
IN MEMPHIS STRIKE

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Aug. 21.—All Memphis was today walking to ice factories for ice as a result of the strike of drivers of ice wagons who are asking for \$18 a week salary and 20 cents a ton for ice they deliver and a working time of eight hours a day. Not one of the 11 ice factories in the city has granted any part of the demands and none has made an effort to deliver ice fearing violence. Several steamboats operating out of Memphis left their docks today with nothing but warm Mississippi river water for their passengers to drink.

CHILD BORN IN HEARSE
IN CHICAGO SUNDAY

CHICAGO, Aug. 21.—Life and death were fellow travelers for a brief period in Chicago last night, and death drove out of its way that life might survive.

Mrs. Mildred Volensky was ill. She miscarried and the supreme moment overtook her as she was hurrying to a hospital on a street car. The conductor halted a passing hearse. With the aid of a policeman Mrs. Volensky was placed inside the wagon alongside the casket and a few blocks from the hospital a boy arrived. Mother and son are doing well.

British Make an Important
Gain in Center of Line

International News Service.

By Frederick Palmer.

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HUNTING AN ISSUE.

—By De Mar.

REVENUE BILL IS
FINAL MEASURE

Strong Opposition to Emergency Act is Not Expected to Prevent Its Passage.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21.—The senate began debate today on the emergency revenue bill, designed to raise \$205,000,000 to fill the depleted treasury, and entered upon what may prove to be the last week of the congressional session.

The revenue bill is the last big measure on this session's legislative program and, unless too much opposition develops on the democratic side, leaders on both sides were hopeful of adjournment next Saturday. The republicans will take three days to record their opposition, but will make no effort to delay passage of the bill. Sens. Penrose, Smoot, Gallinger, Harding, Curtis and Sherman will present the republican arguments against the measure.

Despite the cautious endorsement of the bill, democratic leaders did not conceal their fear that the real fight against the bill would be made by insurgents on their own side. Sen. Underwood of Alabama, author of the Underwood tariff, has given notice of his intention of fighting the tariff commission provision of the bill. Sen. Phelan of California, will make a determined fight against the wine tax, while Sen. Pittman of Nevada, will lead the opposition to certain features of the munitions tax.

Sen. Thomas of Colorado, will oppose the proposed reduction of fighting the Mexican situation, and while no special act will be required to authorize the sale of the bonds, his stand may complicate the fight on the democratic side.

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Seek to Withhold
Three Million Due
For Canal Rights

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21.—Pressure is being brought to bear on the state department to withhold payment of the \$3,000,000 due the Nicaraguan government for the canal rights and the Fonseca bay naval station. Officials here have been assured that the administration in Nicaragua has given its employees notes in payment for their services, and that officials of the government have discounted them at half their value. The expected American payment would be diverted largely to these officials to satisfy the notes they hold. It is expected that the state department will withhold payment of the money until after the installation of a new administration.

The situation has been further complicated by a protest from Salvador lodged with the Latin-American international court against selling the United States islands in Fonseca bay for the establishment of a coal station. In this protest, it is pointed out, that Salvador is one of the countries exercising a joint control over Fonseca bay, and that Nicaragua has not the right to dispose of any part of it without the consent of the other countries interested, according to the terms of an existing agreement.

Insurgents Plan Fight.

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The American Dollar
Rules the World

And Thursday in South Bend its power is doubled and tripled.

In the financial world pounds sterling, francs and lire no longer hold as standards of value. The American Dollar is now the accepted standard in international exchange.

Thursday South Bend merchants have planned to enhance King Dollar's power. It's Dollar Day and YOUR DOLLAR will go twice or three times as far in purchasing real goods as upon ordinary days.

You'll find these bargain opportunities in the issues of The News-Times the next few days. Read them carefully. There are sure to be some things you're in need of and a lot of things you'll want to get at bonafide bargain prices.

READ DOLLAR DAY ADS FOR PROFIT.

WHITE HUSSARS
HERE TONIGHT

Musical Organization to be Feature of "Joy Night" at Chautauqua.

TUESDAY'S PROGRAM.
Morning.
9:00—Children's hour, "The Hollow Tree Stories," by Miss Clara Finch.
Afternoon.
3:00—Lecture, "My Wild Bird Guests," by Ernest Harold Baynes.
Evening.
8:00—Bird Masque, "Sanctuary," and Pageant.

Tonight will be "Joy Night" at the chautauqua tent and the joy bringers are to be the White Hussars, an aggregation of 12 musicians who have won fame through four years of transcontinental tours. They are directed by Alfred Sweet, one of the great cornetists of the day. For three years Mr. Sweet was director of Ringling Brothers' Symphonic Band. He has been with the White Hussars for three years. The company was organized by Ralph Dunbar, well known musical comedy producer, and the praise which it has won all over the country has been not alone for its music, both vocal and instrumental, but for its splendid appearance and its infectious "good time spirit."

The White Hussars gave a brief program this afternoon preceding the interpretive reading of "The Fortune Hunter," by Edwin M. Whitney. The third and last lecture in the series on Shakespeare when R. E. P. Kline has been giving during the morning hours, was given at 2 o'clock this afternoon in order to accommodate a larger number of persons. His subject was "Shakespeare."

Grand Master Nathan T. Brenner of Chicago, delivered an address of welcome.

Probing Report Japs Have
Bought Panama Canal Base

International News Service.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21.—Reports that the Japanese government, through a Spanish agent, has obtained a land concession of 40,000 acres on the Atlantic seaboard of Panama, are being investigated by the secret service agents of the United States.

Sen. of State Lansing today admitted that the investigation is under way, but he refused to discuss it further.

According to the unofficial reports which have reached the state de-

EASY DIVORCE
IS DENOUNCED
AS HEATHENISH

"Pagan State Laws" Come in For Grilling in Report on Public Morals by Catholic Federation.

International News Service.

NEW YORK, Aug. 21.—Denunciation of lax divorce laws and the growth of radicalism in America formed two leading features of the report of the national committee on public morals presented today at the 15th annual convention of the American Federation of Catholic Societies. The report was presented by Edward Feeney, E. S. G., of Brooklyn, chairman of the committee.

After calling attention to the fact that more than 1,000,000 divorces have been granted during the last 10 years by American courts and the fact that federal efforts to secure a uniform divorce law have failed, the report says: "We can only repeat denunciation of pagan state laws that make easy the separation of what God has joined together, and renew our demand for a national law so stringent that no longer shall the finger of scorn be pointed at the United States as second only to Japan in the number of divorces granted to people of doubtful morality."

Denounces Radicals.

Dealing with radical sociology, the report says: "The sociologist is poisoning the wells of public morality by the advocacy of birth control, sex hygiene, regulation by the state of marriage on an animal plane, rejection of the wedding of men and women through God's minister. The next move of the new philosophers may be to do away with the old rite of matrimony and go the limit, with a civil magistrate's certificate, to protect these with property interests and free love for the proletariat, the state to care for the children."

The report characterizes the radical as a tireless worker, who turns to the unorganized ranks of labor when he finds his efforts rejected by the thoughtful trade unionists. In his code of materialism and class hatred, says the report, there is no room for morality of the Christian code.

Mexicans Debauched.

The work of the radicals in Mexico is described thus: "Tons of anarchistic literature sent across the Rio Grande during the past five years, for which the radicals of the United States are said to have contributed as much as \$1,000 a month, have debauched many Mexicans. The pernicious propaganda spread until the bandit chiefs found themselves at the head of military mobs bent upon hunting Christ from the so-called republic. Aided by other revolutionary factors a savage minority has terrorized and demoralized a nation of 15,000,000 Christians.

The Catholic societies convention was only one of seven gatherings which formally launched "Catholic week." The day began with a high mass at the church of St. John the Baptist. Later in the forenoon the German Catholic Central Verein held a session at which the annual report was presented. This stated that during the past year the total membership of the organization had been increased to more than 155,000.

WESTERN STARS IN SESSION.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 21.—The grand lodge of the Independent Western Star Order is holding its biennial meeting in Buffalo today.

There were 150 delegates present when Max Levy, first vice grand master of Cincinnati called the session to order.

Grand Master Nathan T. Brenner of Chicago, delivered an address of welcome.

Already several reports have been received by the Latin-American bureau of the state department from its agents investigating the reports. Officials of this bureau refused absolutely today to say whether or not the reports so far received confirmed the unofficial advice.

WILSON REFUSES TO LET
MEETING WITH CHIEFS
GO OVER UNTIL TUESDAY

"Old Guard" Among Transportation Chiefs Arrives in Washington Prepared to Fight—Attend Hurried Meeting at White House With Reluctance.

International News Service.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21.—Pres't Wilson this afternoon suddenly called a halt on all further delay in the negotiations he is in conducting with the representatives of the railroads of the country to avert the threatened nation-wide strike. The president called the railroad heads to the white house at 2:30 this afternoon, despite their efforts to prevent further conference until tomorrow. After attempting to put off the meeting the railroad executives agreed to go to the white house this afternoon.

The railroad executives, in heated conference, had previously decided to wait until all their number had reached Washington. This decision did not suit the president. He demanded that they appear before him today. The railroad executives then proposed that he lay his settlement plan before these railroad men who had rushed to Washington since last week's conference. But the president insisted that he wished all of them to hear what he had to say. The railroad presidents made it clear that several of their colleagues would not reach Washington before late tonight, but the president declared emphatically that he could wait no longer and they agreed to go to the white house.

May Force Issue.

The insistence of the president upon immediate conference led to the conclusion that he had determined to force the issue. Word was abroad in Washington that the representatives of the four railway brotherhoods presenting the strike demands had become impatient and that strike orders had already been drawn and awaited only signatures to be issued. Pressure from the men for immediate action met with a determined atmosphere of delay among the railroad executives. They declared they could not act with any authority until their attendance was complete.

Even as they started for the white house the presidents insisted that so far as they were concerned the conference would develop nothing. They declared that they would once more listen to the president's proposals and take them under consideration. The circumstances of the call led to the report that the president was prepared to set a time limit on the conference, but white house officials asserted that the conference was merely to "talk things over" and that no drastic move was contemplated.

Will Go Slowly.

The railroad executives will not take definite action until the president has again outlined his eight-hour day demand. According to today's plans the executives will listen to the president's proposal, and take it under advisement. A meeting of the entire group of executives will then be held. This will probably be tomorrow afternoon, but it may not be until Wednesday morning. At this meeting the brains of the railroad management in this country will say the final word that may throw the entire life of the country into chaos through the greatest railroad strike ever planned.

Desultory conferences throughout today kept the railroad executives and their committee of railroad managers in a turmoil of heated discussion. Sharp differences of opinion, aggravated by the arrival of new executives with fresh ideas, were apparent. A small but influential group sought to secure a complete acceptance of the president's proposal, but they met determined opposition.

Old Guard Prepared.

The "old guard" of railroad domination came to Washington today and came prepared to fight. The "old guard" who fought railroad battles in the days of Harriman, the Goulds and the older Vanderbilt, arrived with some very clear ideas as to their position, but they were "willing to talk things over" and to "abide by the majority decision."

Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern, was the center of a chattering group as soon as he reached the hotel where the railroad presidents have their headquarters. He would make no statement. E. F. Ripley, Santa Fe head, veteran of the early railroad struggles of the west, with his 70 years borne but lightly on his broad shoulders, looked over the groups of railroad

presidents as he entered the hotel lobby, with a grim smile. "This is sure a hell of a game," was his only comment. Judge J. M. Dickinson, former secretary of war, and now operating receiver of the Rock Island lines, also arrived today. He, too, was silent. W. L. Mapother of the Louisville and Nashville; W. B. Story, vice president of the Santa Fe, and George T. Slade, vice president of the Northern Pacific, put in their appearance.

Urges Arbitration.

The managers' committee today began to get results from a campaign among business organizations, manufacturers associations and shippers' associations, seeking to influence Pres't Wilson. Scores of telegrams reached Washington urging that the entire controversy be settled by arbitration.

Meanwhile, the representatives of the four brotherhoods held a brief meeting, decided that nothing should be done today and adjourned until tomorrow. The brotherhood heads hear numerous telegrams from their home locals read, congratulating them upon their position and urging them to stand firm.

The action of the president in sending to George Pope, president of the National Association of Manufacturers, a rather sharp denial that his present plan was in effect an attack upon general arbitration and his declaration that his attitude "neither weakens nor discredits, but strengthens" the principles of arbitration, has materially strengthened his position, officials say.

Many Endorse Stand.

Although many telegrams have reached the white house demanding that arbitration of all of the issues involved—including the eight-hour day—be forced, there has also been received a great many endorsing the president's plan and declaring that it is his duty to prevent a nationwide strike even though it may be necessary to apply for the appointment of federal receivers to operate the roads.

The brotherhood representatives are marking time. They met in their headquarters again today and talked things over, but took no definite action. They have made it very plain to the white house that if the railroad strike is not ended by tomorrow, they will go ahead with their original program and call the strike, letting the blame go to the roads. But they have promised Pres't Wilson, it is learned, that they will make no radical move whatever, without first consulting him.

DIES ON HIS WAY TO
CLAIM HIS BRIDE

International News Service.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 21.—Dr. Harry G. Cain, a Middletown, Ind., dentist, was to have been married tomorrow. Instead he will be buried.

The joy of approaching wedlock of Miss Minnie Lloyd, his intended wife, has turned to sorrow. Dr. Cain died of heart disease in an Anderson hospital Sunday, having been stricken while on a car while en route to Warsaw to claim his bride, a teacher in the Anderson high school, who was spending the summer at Winona lake. The funeral will be held at the home of Dr. Cain's parents, near Indianapolis.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

International News Service.

NEW YORK, Aug. 21.—Steamers sailing today: Alluria, London; Pacific, Greece. Due to arrive today: Idaho, Hall; Lord, Gromer, Liverpool; Clancy, Castle, London; California, Glasgow; Lafayette, Bordeaux; Nieuwe Amsterdam, Rotterdam.